

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 51 public bills, H.R. 2608–2658 and 9 resolutions, H. Res. 363–371 were introduced. **Pages H3678–80**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H3681–83**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Johnson (GA) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3505**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:19 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H3507**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Imam Omar Suleiman, Yaqeen Institute for Islamic Research, Irving, Texas. **Page H3507**

Protecting Americans with Preexisting Conditions Act of 2019: The House passed H.R. 986, to provide that certain guidance related to waivers for State innovation under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act shall have no force or effect, by a recorded vote of 230 ayes to 183 noes with one answering “present”, Roll No. 196. **Pages H3510–19, H3519–50**

Rejected the Walden motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Commerce with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with amendments, by a recorded vote of 182 ayes to 231 noes, Roll No. 195. **Pages H3547–49**

Agreed to:

Langevin amendment (No. 1 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–51) that includes findings that the new guidance entitled “State Relief and Empowerment Waivers” weakens protections for the millions of Americans living with a preexisting health condition, including the one in four Americans living with a disability; **Pages H3531–32**

Pressley amendment (No. 3 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–51) that specifies that this restriction includes such actions that result in fewer people with coverage of Essential Health Benefits (as defined in Section 1302 of the Affordable Care Act), including maternity and newborn care; **Pages H3533–34**

Harder amendment (No. 4 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–51) that requests a GAO report on the impacts to mental health care and treatment, and how many individuals would lose care, if the waivers for State innovation are awarded; **Pages H3534–35**

Porter amendment (No. 8 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–51) that prohibits the Secretaries from

taking any such action that would reduce the number of individuals enrolled in coverage that is at least as comprehensive as the coverage defined in section 1302 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; **Pages H3538–39**

Pappas amendment (No. 9 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–51) that prohibits the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Secretary of the Treasury from taking any action to implement similar guidance or rule that would reduce the availability or affordability of coverage for substance use disorders, including opioid use disorders; **Pages H3539–41**

Rouda amendment (No. 10 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–51) that prohibits future administrative actions that would result in a reduction in the availability, affordability, and comprehensiveness of health insurance coverage for vulnerable populations; **Pages H3541–42**

Brown (MD) amendment (No. 2 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–51) that ensures that nothing in the bill will be construed to affect the approval of waivers under section 1332 of the ACA that establish reinsurance programs that lower health insurance premiums, and protect health insurance coverage for people with preexisting conditions (by a recorded vote of 351 ayes to 70 noes, Roll No. 191); **Pages H3532–33, H3545**

Malinowski amendment (No. 11 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–51) that prohibits the Secretaries from taking any action that would reduce the affordability of comprehensive coverage for individuals with pre-existing conditions (by a recorded vote of 302 ayes to 117 noes, Roll No. 193); and **Pages H3542–43, H3546–47**

Wild amendment (No. 12 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–51) that prohibits any action that would raise health insurance premiums (by a recorded vote of 308 ayes to 112 noes, Roll No. 194). **Pages H3543–45, H3547**

Rejected:

Holding amendment (No. 7 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–51) that sought to change the title of H.R. 986 (by a recorded vote of 184 ayes to 237 noes, Roll No. 192). **Pages H3537–58, H3545–46**

Withdrawn:

Walden amendment (No. 5 printed in part A of H. Rept. 116–51) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have renamed the bill. **Pages H3535–37**

H. Res. 357, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 986) and (H.R. 2157) was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 227 yeas to 191 nays,

Roll No. 190, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 227 yeas to 190 nays with one answering “present”, Roll No. 189.

Pages H3518–19

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure—Communication: Read a letter from Chairman DeFazio wherein he transmitted copies of twenty resolutions included in the General Services Administration’s Capital Investment and Leasing Programs. The resolutions were adopted by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on May 8, 2019.

Pages H3552–H3658

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3518–19, H3519, H3545, H3545–46, H3546–47, H3547, H3549, and H3550. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

Committee Meetings

REVIEWING THE STATE OF THE FARM ECONOMY

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management held a hearing entitled “Reviewing the State of the Farm Economy”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Appropriations: Full Committee held a markup on the Legislative Branch Appropriation Bill, FY 2020; and the Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2020. The Legislative Branch Appropriation Bill, FY 2020, and the Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2020 were ordered reported, as amended.

FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET REQUEST FOR MILITARY READINESS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness held a hearing entitled “Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Request for Military Readiness”. Testimony was heard from Admiral Bill Moran, Vice Chief of Naval Operations, U.S. Navy; General Stephen W. Wilson, Vice Chief of Staff of the Air Force, U.S. Air Force; General James C. McConville, Vice Chief of Staff of the Army, U.S. Army; and General Gary L. Thomas, Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps, U.S. Marine Corps.

THE COST OF NON-COMPLETION: IMPROVING STUDENT OUTCOMES IN HIGHER EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Investment held a hearing entitled “The Cost of Non-Completion: Improving Student Outcomes in Higher Education”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LOWERING PRESCRIPTION DRUG PRICES: DECONSTRUCTING THE DRUG SUPPLY CHAIN

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Lowering Prescription Drug Prices: Deconstructing the Drug Supply Chain”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 DOE BUDGET

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing entitled “The Fiscal Year 2020 DOE Budget”. Testimony was heard from Rick Perry, Secretary, Department of Energy.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee concluded markup on H.R. 1988, the “Protect Affordable Mortgages for Veterans Act of 2019”; H.R. 2409, the “Expanding Access to Capital for Rural Job Creators Act”; H.R. 2514, the “Coordinating Oversight, Upgrading and Innovating Technology, and Examiner Reform Act of 2019”; H.R. 2515, to amend the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 to amend the definition of whistleblower; H.R. 2534, the “Insider Trading Prohibition Act of 2019”; legislation on the Task Force on Financial Technology Resolution of 2019; and legislation on the Task Force on Artificial Intelligence Resolution of 2019. H.R. 2409, legislation on the Task Force on Financial Technology Resolution of 2019, and legislation on the Task Force on Artificial Intelligence Resolution of 2019 were ordered reported, without amendment. H.R. 1988, H.R. 2534, H.R. 2515, and H.R. 2514 were ordered reported, as amended.

DOLLAR DIPLOMACY OR DEBT TRAP? EXAMINING CHINA’S ROLE IN THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, Civilian Security, and Trade held a hearing entitled “Dollar Diplomacy or Debt Trap? Examining China’s Role in the Western Hemisphere”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.